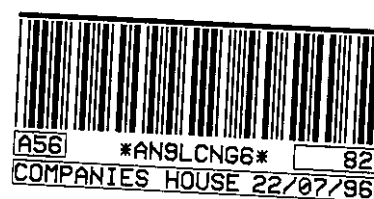


**CODEMIST LIMITED**  
**COMPANY NUMBER 2197915**  
**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 1996**



**CODEMIST LIMITED**  
**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**30 APRIL 1996**

**DIRECTORS**

J.P. Fitch  
A. Mycroft  
A.C. Norman

**SECRETARY**

A.M. Fitch

**REGISTERED OFFICE**

'Alta'  
Horsecombe Vale  
Combe Down  
Bath

**AUDITORS**

Robson Taylor  
Charter House  
The Square  
Lower Bristol Road  
Bath

**BANKERS**

Barclays Bank Plc  
37 Milsom Street  
Bath

# **CODEMIST LIMITED**

## **REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 April 1996.

### **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND BUSINESS REVIEW**

The company's principal activity during the year continued to be the development and sales of computer application and utility packages.

It also provides consultancy services to a broad range of clients.

The trend of increasing turnover is expected to be sustained for the foreseeable future.

### **RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

The profit for the year after taxation was £22,150.

A dividend of £19,200 has been paid and the balance of profit of £2,950 will be transferred to reserves.

### **FIXED ASSETS**

The movements in tangible fixed assets during the year are set out in note 8 to the financial statements.

### **DIRECTORS AND DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

The directors and their beneficial interests in the share capital of the company throughout the year were:-

	£1 ordinary shares
J.P. Fitch	200
A. Mycroft	200
A.C. Norman	200

CODEMIST LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (CONTINUED)

AUDITORS

The auditors, Robson Taylor, have indicated their willingness to continue in office, and a resolution for their reappointment will be submitted to the annual general meeting.

By Order of the Board



A.M. Fitch  
Secretary

'Alta'  
Horsecombe Vale  
Combe Down  
Bath

22 June 1996

**CODEMIST LIMITED**

**REPORT OF THE AUDITORS**

**TO THE MEMBERS**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 30 April 1996 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

*Robson Taylor*

Registered Auditors  
Bath,

*24 June 1996*

**CODEMIST LIMITED**

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

**YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 1996**

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
<b>TURNOVER FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>	<b>2</b>	48,490	32,033
Cost of sales		(2,381)	(4,733)
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>		<u>46,109</u>	<u>27,300</u>
Administrative expenses		(17,927)	(18,484)
<b>OPERATING PROFIT FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>		28,182	8,816
Profit on disposal of fixed asset		170	-
Interest receivable and similar income	3	1,363	1,254
<b>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>	<b>5</b>	29,715	10,070
Taxation	6	(7,565)	(2,892)
<b>PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>		22,150	7,178
Dividends	7	(19,200)	(16,500)
<b>TRANSFER TO RESERVES</b>		<u>2,950</u>	<u>(9,322)</u>
<b>STATEMENT OF RETAINED PROFITS</b>			
Retained profits at 1 May 1995		31,443	40,765
Retained profit for the year		2,950	(9,322)
<b>RETAINED PROFITS AT 30 APRIL 1996</b>		<u>34,393</u>	<u>31,443</u>

In each of the years ended 30 April 1996 and 30 April 1995 the only gain or loss recognised by the company was the result for the year.

The reported profit was found under the historical cost convention.

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

**CODEMIST LIMITED**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**30 APRIL 1996**

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	8	4,576	5,428
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Stocks	9	800	-
Debtors	10	13,387	5,586
Cash		26,297	29,046
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		40,484	34,632
<b>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>(7,830)</b>	<b>(5,780)</b>
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<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>32,654</b>	<b>28,852</b>
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>37,230</b>	<b>34,280</b>
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<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Called up share capital	12	600	600
Share premium		2,237	2,237
Profit and loss account		34,393	31,443
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<b>SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY INTERESTS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>37,230</b>	<b>34,280</b>
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Approved by the board on *22 June 1996*

**DIRECTORS**

*John Fitch*  
*A. Mycroft*

J.P. Fitch

A. Mycroft

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

CODEMIST LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 APRIL 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with relevant accounting and financial reporting standards.

The principal accounting policies of the company are set out below.

1.a STOCK

Stock has been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.b DEPRECIATION OF TANGIBLE ASSETS

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets over their expected useful lives by the straight line method at the following rate per annum:

Computer equipment	33.33%
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1.c DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision for deferred taxation is made at the appropriate rates in respect of all material timing differences only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that an asset or liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

1.d FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

1.e CASH FLOW STATEMENT

In accordance with the exemptions offered to small companies by Financial Reporting Standard 1, the company does not present a cash flow statement.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the amounts derived from the provision of goods and services during the year after the deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

3. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME

	1996	1995
	£	£
Bank interest	1,363	1,254

CODEMIST LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

30 APRIL 1996

<b>4. STAFF NUMBER AND COSTS</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1995</b>
The average number of employees of the company (including directors) during the year was:	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:	£	£
Wages and salaries	3,000	3,000
	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
 <b>5. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>	 <b>1996</b>	 <b>1995</b>
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging the following:		
Auditors' remuneration	550	525
Depreciation of owned assets	6,258	7,202
	<u>6,808</u>	<u>7,727</u>
 <b>6. TAXATION</b>	 <b>1996</b>	 <b>1995</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	£	£
The taxation charge is based on the profit for the year and is made up as follows:		
U.K corporation tax at 25%	7,562	2,892
Adjustments in respect of prior years:		
Corporation tax	3	-
	<u>7,565</u>	<u>2,892</u>
 <b>7. DIVIDENDS</b>	 <b>1996</b>	 <b>1995</b>
	£	£
Dividend paid:		
£32 per share (1995: £27.50)	19,200	16,500
	<u>19,200</u>	<u>16,500</u>

CODEMIST LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

30 APRIL 1996

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 May 1995	47,488
Additions	5,406
Disposals	(1,166)
	<u>51,728</u>
At 30 April 1996	
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 May 1995	42,060
Charge for year	6,258
Disposals	(1,166)
	<u>47,152</u>
At 30 April 1996	
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 April 1996	<u>4,576</u>
At 30 April 1995	<u>5,428</u>

9. STOCKS

	1996 £	1995 £
Finished goods	800	-
	<u>800</u>	<u>-</u>

10. DEBTORS

	1996 £	1995 £
Trade debtors	12,887	908
Advance corporation tax	-	4,128
Prepayments and accrued income	500	550
	<u>13,387</u>	<u>5,586</u>

CODEMIST LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

30 APRIL 1996

11. CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	1996 £	1995 £
Corporation tax	2,762	2,892
Other taxes and social security	3,668	1,528
Accruals and deferred income	1,400	1,360
	<u>7,830</u>	<u>5,780</u>
12. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	1996 £	1995 £
Authorised: 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Allotted, issued and fully paid: 600 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>
13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS		
There were no capital commitments at the balance sheet date.		
14. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	1996 £	1995 £
Profit for the financial year	22,150	7,178
Dividends	(19,200)	(16,500)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	<u>2,950</u>	<u>(9,322)</u>
Opening shareholders' funds	34,280	43,602
Closing shareholders' funds	<u>37,230</u>	<u>34,280</u>